ANNUAL REPORT OF MANITOBA 4-H COUNCIL

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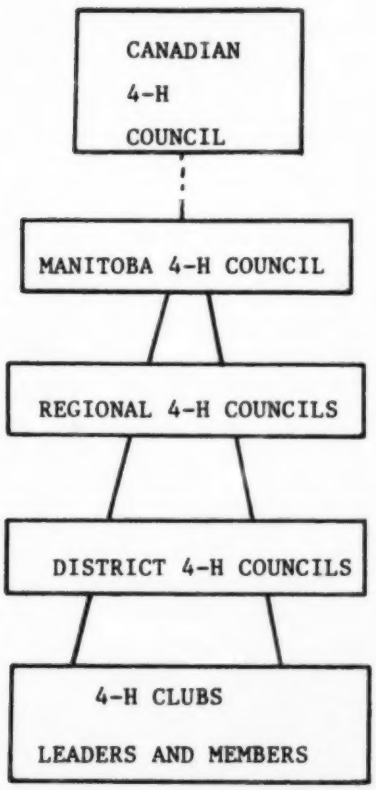

PRESIDENT,
Manitoba 4-H Council

4-H CHIEF

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PROVINCIAL SPECIALIST
AG. TRAINING BRANCH
HOME ECONOMICS DIRECTORATE

REGIONAL 4-H SPECIALIST

AGRICULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE

HOME ECONOMIST

4-H PROGRAM ASSISTANT

VOLUNTEER COUNCILS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

The 4-H program in Manitoba is sponsored and funded by Manitoba Agriculture and Agriculture Canada, with help from our friends of 4-H.

MANITOBA 4-H COUNCIL

President's Message

-Betty Ann DeCeuleneer

I find it very difficult to believe that a year has passed since I accepted the challenge to become President of Manitoba 4-H Council. During this past year, Council has accomplished much and none has been achieved by one person alone, but by the sincere effort and enthusiastic co-operation of both the Council Directors and Department Staff.

Possibly one of Council's greatest achievements is the initiation of a new presidential election procedure whereby active volunteer leaders may run for the presidential position and where each club will be allowed to vote for the President of the Manitoba 4-H Council.

Council has also established a Friends of 4-H Foundation whereby monies donated by individuals, corporations, organizations, etc., will be put into trust and the Foundation will only disperse the interest accumulated from these monies.

Another exciting accomplishment is that Council has selected a leader to represent Manitoba 4-H on the Canadian 4-H Council for a 5 year term. Mary Sclater from Rivers is the successful leader who will be Manitoba'a 5 year representative on Canadian 4-H Council.

Betsy Clarke (General Manager of 4-H), Myrtle Leonard (President Elect) and myself met with the Minister of Agriculture, the Honourable Bill Uruski, to sign the 4-H Proclamation and to proclaim November 9th to 14th as National 4-H Week. We also discussed with the Minister the future of the 4-H program and Manitoba Agriculture's support of 4-H.

The Travel and Conference awards administered through Council is not only an exciting but integral part of the 4-H program. Through this program both members and leaders expand their knowledge, improve their life skills and bring renewed vitality to the 4-H program. While detailed elsewhere is this report, the Travel Program was very successful with 182 enthusiastic delegates not only travelling across Manitoba, but throughout Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom as well.

1983 set a milestone for the Canadian 4-H Council as it celebrated it's Golden Anniversary. The Canadian Council is the national representative for 4-H in Canada, whose underlying philosophy is the personal development of our youth. This Council also administers national and international programs for both members and leaders.

1983 is also of special significance to Manitobans as it marked the 70th year in the history of the 4-H movement in Manitoba. The main objective of our project is to develop our rural youth into productive, responsible and creative citizens. In the past 4-H has achieved these objectives and has been a strong positive influence on our youth. I am more than confident that 4-H will continue to fulfill these objectives and remain a very positive influence because just as our society is continually changing our whole program is constantly being revised to meet the challenge of a changing society. 4-H in Manitoba will continue to grow and to flourish because of the sincere involvement of our volunteer leaders, the energetic enthusiasm of our members, the continued dedication of our 4-H staff and the constant generosity of our sponsors. Our 4-H past is a memorable one. Our future is one of exciting challenge.

During 1983 we experienced significant changes in staff. At our first Council meeting we welcomed to Council Hazel Mitchell. Hazel is the Acting Director of the Home Economics Directorate. Debbie LaFreniere left the 4-H office to further pursue her career in Motherhood. Council extends a warm welcome to the two new office secretaries Diane Suggitt and Gloria Karpyshyn. We then bid farewell to Andrew Dickson, Chief of 4-H, who left us to explore new horizons as Regional Director of the Interlake Region. On the other hand, we have the good fortune to welcome and wish Dori Gingera much happiness and success as our new Chief of 4-H. Added to these major changes at the Provincial Office there is also the sound of a tiny new voice in the form of a little bundle when a son was born to Shaunda and Bill Rossington.

We 4-H'ers owe a special debt of appreciation and gratitude to Manitoba Agriculture and to all sponsors of our 4-H program. You are all indispensable members of the 4-H family. Your money, time and expertise are all very crucial to the life of the 4-H program. I know that all too often we take for granted that your money, time and expertise will always be there; but without your monetary support and without your interest and faith in our youth, our program would not have achieved the high standard that we enjoy today.

This past year has been a very special one for me. Thank you to all the Council Directors and Staff for your support and co-operation. You are truly a great group of people to work with. A special thank you goes to Andrew and Shaunda for your words of encouragement and advise, for listening and for being there when I needed you. I also want to express my gratitude to Morris Deveson. I truly appreciated your friendly advise, your professional expertise and your attendance at the Council meetings. It has been a privilege to be your President and an experience I will always cherish.

The 4-H spirit is unique in that it brings out the best in us. 4-H people whether they be volunteers, staff or sponsors are a special blend of people. They are a warm, caring and optimistic lot. They are here because they want to be, because they have a deep sense of pride in their country and in being a Canadian, because they have a strong faith in our youth and in our country's future and because they want to instill in our youth the all important life skills they will be required to use as they become tomorrow's leaders. The challenge goes out not only to keep this 4-H spirit of well being alive, but to make it grow and to make it flourish thereby insuring that in our country's future the best is yet to come.

Manitoba 4-H Council Directors 1983-84

Front Row - (Left to right)	Louise Dickson, Louise Dixon, Andrew Dickson, Lana Deters, Betty Ann DeCeuleneer, Myrtle Leonard
Back Row - (Left to right)	Lorette Lamoureux, Valerie Mitchell, Rick Dzisiak, Suzanne Morin, Cathey Day
Missing -	Carole Drader, Morris Deveson, Hazel Mitchell

MANITOBA 4-H COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1983

REVENUE	
Club donations	$ 9,965.31
Individual donations	322.00
Sponsor donations	4,958.00
Conferences and trips	11,864.24
Interest	397.83
Miscellaneous	41.76
Promotions	828.60
Total revenue	28,377.74
EXPENDITURES	
A) Programs	
Annual meeting	1,387.98
C.L.U.E. & Sask. Leader's Conference	282.60
Community Service Award	1,331.61
Discover Manitoba 4-H	4,015.54
Public relations conference	
Total Programs A	7,017.73
B) Other	
Alberta Leaders' Conference	423.40
Alberta Exchange	3,715.00
Audit and legal	725.00
Bank charges	67.78
Canadian 4-H Council: membership dues	250.00
: registration fees	225.00
Careers Conference	6,387.12
Clothing Conference	390.00
Director Travel	
Distribution of sponsor donations to Ambassadors	1,000.00
Inter-provincial exchange	661.30
Leadership training	1,169.90
Liability Insurance	2,025.00
Miscellaneous	1,236.40
North Dakota Youth Conference	
North Dakota State Fair	434.35
Promotion costs	
Toronto Members' & Leaders' Conference	608.64
Western Provinces Seminar	25.09
Total Programs B	19,343.98
Total Expenditures	26,361.71
Excess of revenue over expenditures	$ 2,016.03

BANK RECONCILIATION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1983

January 1, 1983 bank balance		$ 6,860.50
Excess Revenue over expenditures		2,016.03
December 31, 1983 bank balance		$ 8,876.53
(i) savings account	$8,358.15	
(ii) current account	518.38	
		$ 8,876.53

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Relations

The objectives of the Public Relations Committee are:

--to create awareness of 4-H
--to recruit new leaders and members
--to keep senior members active
--to create new enthusiasm and vitality in the 4-H program
--to create a positive and accurate image of 4-H
--to promote the Manitoba 4-H Council

The Committee agreed that promotion of Manitoba 4-H Week would help in attaining all the above objectives. The Public Relations Committee was augmented by an Advisory Committee consisting of volunteer leaders and staff.

1983 was the 70th Anniversary of 4-H in Manitoba. It was decided to wait for the 75th Anniversary to have a major celebration and promotion.

1983 was also the 50th Anniversary of the Canadian 4-H Council. Posters and 50th Anniversary buttons were made available and the 4-H Anniversary Candle travelled around the province.

The Committee recommended that this be the final year for the "Grow with 4-H" slogan. A slogan competition was introduced again, with a winner to be announced at the Annual Meeting of Manitoba 4-H.

After much discussion, it was decided to produce the following promotional items: bookmarks, mini information cards, sunvisors, buttons, placemats, and pencils. Because of unforeseen circumstances, the buttons were not distributed evenly to all the Regions. A further 5,000 buttons were ordered and distributed to the Regions which had been shorted.

The 1983 winners of the Community Service Project were the "Westbourne 4-H Handiworkers". Approximately 20 members and leaders were invited to Winnipeg for a weekend. They were taken on tours of the Commodity Exchange, the Legislative Buildings, and the Winnipeg Mint. They were also presented with a trophy at the banquet held in their honor. The Community Service Project is sponsored by the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Louise Dixon	Betty Ann DeCeuleneer	Olivia Flynn
Jane Nikkel	Lana Deters	Shaunda Rossington
Cathey Day	Suzanne Morin	

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Peggy Mitchell	Karen Ross	Mary Mitchell

Travel

Objectives:

--to establish a travel budget
--to determine which trips and conferences will take place and where
--to decide on age and criteria
--to determine the number of members and leaders per trip
--to recommend action to Manitoba 4-H Council

Achievements:

--Decided that the 1984 Manitoba 4-H Council Exchange Trip would be a twin host family exchange with 4-H friends from the United States; therefore members who are awarded this trip must be prepared to host a returning 4-H delegate.
--Revise the Travel program information.
--The information on the 4-H Summer Work Exchange and the United States National 4-H Conference were not included in the regular Travel program information but printed on separate application forms to emphasize to members who wish to apply for these awards that they must fill in separate application forms for each of these awards, and that members must mail the forms directly to the Winnipeg 4-H Office.
--Decided that in 1984 the Discover Manitoba 4-H Leader's Award Trip will tour the Northern Region of Manitoba.

In 1983, 128 members and 54 leaders travelled on award trips. 1983 member award trips - 1 international, 5 national, and 4 provincial.

International

1. David Shaw from Birtle was awarded the United Kingdom Exchange sponsored by Shell Canada Ltd. from applicants from across Manitoba. David also hosted Michael Jones the return delegate from the United Kingdom.

National

1. Kevin Johnston from Darlingford received the United States National 4-H Conference award held in Washington D.C.

2. Michael DePauw from Treherne was awarded the 4-H Summer Work Exchange sponsored by John Deere from applicants from across Manitoba. Michael travelled to New Brunswick, and on his return home Michael hosted Hilary Buyting from New Brunswick.

3. The Manitoba delegates to receive the National 4-H Conference award held in Toronto were: John Green - Treherne, Scott Day - Deloraine, Lauree Gibson - Holmfield, Claire Solmundson - Gimli, Bruce Johannson - Pine Falls, Kerri Lynn Wlasichuk - Lenswood, Michael Hicks - Melita and Laurie Sprung - Manitou.

4. Dean Buchanan - Crystal City, Lori McKietiuk - Rossburn, Elma Beckman - Eriksdale, Ken Kingdon - Basswood, Gilbert Therrien - Labroquerie, and Vivian Nowosad - Oakburn travelled to Ottawa to attend the National 4-H Citizenship Seminar.

5. 4-H members who were awarded the Interprovincial Exchange were: Dennis Lonsdale from Kenton travelled to Alberta, Cindy Flanagan from Great Falls flew to Nova Scotia, Cheryl Hudson from Clearwater visited Ontario and Rick Dzisiak from Dauphin was hosted in New Brunswick.

Provincial

1. Anil Sud of Ethelbert and Cindy Kolesar of Neepawa received the Speciality Camp award held at Camp Raynor in Saskatchewan.

2. 38 members from across Manitoba were awarded the Manitoba 4-H Council Exchange Trip to Bashaw, Alberta.

3. Manitoba hosted the Western Provinces Seminar sponsored by Cargill Limited. The 11 Manitobans to receive this award were: Albert Rimke of Rorketon, Wendy Werbinski of Rorketon, Carole Therrien of Labroquerie, Angela Slute of Labroquerie, Greta Cedarstrom of Brandon, Brenda Curle of Minnedosa, Lee Funke of Carman, Deb Heppner of Rosenfeld, Marianne Watson of Elm Creek, Shelley Hainstock of Crystal City and Vic Olafson of Morden.

4. 37 senior 4-H members from Manitoba along with 19 National Delegates attended the Manitoba 4-H Careers Conference held in Winnipeg.

Leaders Award Trips....1 National, 3 Provincial.

National

1. Carole Drader of Brookdale, Theresa Melnychuk of Balmoral, Diane Nesbitt of Treherne, Mike Kamfoly of Garland, and Matt Drewniak of Sundown travelled to Toronto, Ontario to participate in the National 4-H Leaders Conference.

Provincial

1. The Eastern Region hosted Discover Manitoba 4-H in which 35 leaders plus 3 delegates from Saskatchewan took part.

2. Alberta Leaders Conference was held in Grand Prairie, Alberta. Myrtle Leonard of Eriksdale and Margorie Soos of Langruth received this award.

3. Chosen to attend the North Dakota State Fair held in Minot, North Dakota were: Audrey Vansteelandt of Deloraine, Shirley Switzer of Newdale, Gen Kurtenbach of Dropmore, Margaret Dyck of Tyndall, Joyce Scott of Ninga, Gerarda Sierens of Mariapolis, Justine Therrien of Labroquerie, Inez Schreyer of Somerset, and Donna Anderson of Eriksdale.

Leadership Development

The primary objective of the Leader Development Committee for 1983/84 as expressed in last year's annual report, was the development of a Project Leader Management Course. Lorraine Adams and Dori Gingera presented the course to the 4-H Specialist, who in turn presented the course to groups of 4-H leaders, Program Assistants, Agricultural Representatives and Home Economists in Brandon on November 1st and 2nd. The purpose of the Brandon Workshop was to provide the course information to those present who would then teach the course in their respective regions.

The purpose of the Project Management Training Course is to provide project leaders with a comprehensive overview of how the 4-H program works in addition to a number of ideas and suggestions in specific areas to facilitate the practical application of this information at the club level. There is something in this course for everyone. It is an excellent source of information for new 4-H leaders. It also provides a thorough guideline as to be specific goals of the 4-H program as they are today to those of us who have been 4-H leaders for a number of years.

The following are the broad topics covered in the course:

--Basic Needs of Youth
--Relating to Youth Through Development Stages
--Teaching Techniques
--General 4-H Information
--4-H Projects, Philosophy and Purpose
--Project Requirements
--Organizing Your Group
--On-going Motivation
--Achievements
--Project Leaders' Role

A very interesting and useful feature of this course is the selection of group activities which are interspersed throughout. Besides being a lot of fun, they are readily applicable at the club level.

The Project Management Workshop has since been presented in a number of areas and was very well received judging by the favourable evaluations and comments. The following is a list of areas in which the course was taught to February 15, 1984:

REGION	NUMBER THAT HAVE TAKEN THE COURSE
Eastern	25
Interlake	45
Northwest	82
Thompson Area	14
The Pas Area	10
Southwest	26
Central	76
TOTAL	278

The committee recommends that district continue to offer Level 1 courses as needed to accommodate leadership changes in clubs. The PLMT course offers much information from a different perspective and districts are encouraged to promote this course and make it available in their respective areas. The material may be used in conjunction with other workshops as well.

The primary objective of the Leadership Development Committee for 1984/85 is to investigate the need for a Level II workshop before actually planning one. It was suggested that topic areas from the Main Leaders and Project Leaders Management courses be chosen and expanded upon in such a workshop. Suggested topics are:

--Conference judging
--Teaching situation
--Lesson planning

Sponsorship

4-H in Manitoba is sponsored by many levels by many different individuals and organizations. The largest single group of supporters is, of course, the 4-H volunteer. But the work of the volunteer is made possible by the continued financial and staff support of Manitoba Agriculture, Agriculture Canada and a host of private and corporate sponsors.

Manitoba Agriculture and Agriculture Canada are the major sponsors of 4-H in Manitoba. The federal government pay 50% of certain specified expenses in the southern program and 60% of all 4-H program costs in the north. In total, the cost of the 4-H program in Manitoba is shared between the province and the federal governments on an 88% - 12% basis.

Private support to 4-H is received at club, district, regional, provincial and national levels.

This report deals primarily with support received provincially in four categories:

a) Sponsors contributing directly to the operation of provincial programs.
b) Sponsors contributing on a provincial basis to operations at the club or district level.
c) Sponsors contributing indirectly to the ongoing operation of 4-H.
d) Organizations and firms offering non-monetary support to the National 4-H Careers Conference.

National sponsors who support specific programs that affect Manitoba 4-H'ers, or whose representatives on the Canadian 4-H Council are stationed in Manitoba are:
--Canada Safeway Limited
--Pioneer Grain Company Limited
--John Deere Limited (Summer Work Exchange)
--Royal Bank of Canada (Interprovincial Exchange)
--Versatile Farm Equipment Company
--Shell Canada Limited (United Kingdom Exchange)
--Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada (The All Canadian 4-H Contest)
--T. Eaton Company Limited
--Westeel-Rosco Limited (National 4-H Careers Conference)
--Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (National 4-H Careers Conference)
--MACDON Industries Limited

Canadian Pioneer Management (Pioneer Trust Company, Pioneer Life Assurance Co., Canadian Pioneer Securities and Life of the Northwest) sponsor the Western Canadian 4-H Livestock Judging Competition in November of every year at the Regional Agribition.

A) SPONSORS CONTRIBUTING DIRECTLY TO THE OPERATIONS OF PROVINCIAL 4-H PROGRAMS

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce
Co-sponsored ten provincial delegates to National 4-H Careers Conference held in Winnipeg in 1983. The bank also donated $1,500.00 for the second Community Service Project Award.

Cargill Grain Company Limited
Contributed $1,000.00 towards the cost of the National 4-H Careers Conference as well as providing a staff member at that event.

Cargill again sponsored the full cost of the Western Provinces 4-H Seminar which brought together twelve 4-H members from the provinces of Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. In 1983, this seven day conference on "Journey into our Heritage" was held in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Canadian National Exhibition
The Canadian National Exhibition again provided a $1,000.00 scholarship for each province. This scholarship is open to 4-H members who are currently in or have completed their first year of a program leading to a degree in Agriculture, Home Economics, Agricultural Engineering, or Veterinary Science. The winner from each province will be awarded the scholarship at the C.N.E. in Toronto and go on a Southern Ontario tour. Manitoba's winner in 1983 was Kim McKenzie.

Dominion Textiles Limited
Provided the Texmade Award; a length of fabric which is awarded to one outstanding clothing member in each agricultural district.

Hoechst Canada Inc.
Funded the $500.00 Hoechst Canada 4-H bursary. The bursary is open to 4-H members entering the first year of either the Diploma or Degree program in Agriculture at the University of Manitoba. This year's recipient was Gilbert Therrien of LaBroquerie. They also provided the trophies for the Sugar Beet Achievement.

Kiwanis Clubs of Winnipeg
Provided funding and support to Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors for 4-H Provincial Public Speaking Competition. The recipient of the Harrison Shield in 1983 was Cathey Day.

Manitoba Sugar Beet Producers Association Inc. & Manitoba Sugar Company
Sponsored the final banquet at the 1983 Provincial 4-H Sugar Beet Achievement held in Niverville and gave extensive support to the local operation of sugar beet clubs.

Manitoba Holstein-Friesian Association
Offered support at the national level with the All Canadian 4-H Contest and at the club level with an award for members showing Holstein calves.

The Manitoba Milk Producers Marketing Board
Sponsored two Manitoba 4-H Dairy Club Members to the United States National 4-H Dairy Conference in Madison, Wisconsin.

Manitoba Pool Elevators
Provided engraved plaques to the Reserve Champion in the Market Steer Class and co-sponsored the National 4-H Careers Conference with a $500.00 contribution.

Pioneer Grain Company Limited
Sponsored a send off banquet for Manitoba's delegates to National Volunteer Leaders' Conference.

United Grain Growers Limited
Co-sponsored the National 4-H Careers Conference, contributing $500.00 and one staff member.

Westeel-Rosco Limited
Co-sponsored expenses of nine out of province delegates and one Manitoba delegates (10) to National 4-H Careers Conference held in Winnipeg in 1983.

B) SPONSORS CONTRIBUTING ON A PROVINCIAL BASIS TO 4-H AT A CLUB OR DISTRICT LEVEL

Canadian South Devon Association
Manco Dairies
Manitoba Aberdeen Angus Association
Manitoba Brown Swiss Association
Manitoba Charolais Association
Manitoba Hereford Association
Manitoba Holstein-Friesian Association
Manitoba Jersey Association
Manitoba Limousin Association
Manitoba Maine-Anjou Association
Manitoba-Saskatchewan Blonde d'Aquitaine Association
Manitoba Shorthorn Association
Manitoba Simmental Association

C) SPONSORS CONTRIBUTING INDIRECTLY TO THE ONGOING OPERATION OF 4-H

Manitoba Women's Institute
The Manitoba Co-operator
The Provincial Exhibition, Brandon
The Portage Exhibition Board
The Manitoba Farm Bureau
The Western Producer

D) ORGANIZATIONS AND FIRMS OFFERING NON-MONETARY SUPPORT TO THE OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL 4-H CAREERS CONFERENCE

Home Economics Directorate, Manitoba Department of Health
Faculties of Human Ecology and Agriculture at the University of Manitoba
Agricultural Services Complex, University of Manitoba
Bank of Commerce
Burns Meats Limited
CSP Foods
Canada Safeway Limited
Co-op Implements
Country Guide - Public Press
Ducks Unlimited
Fort Garry Careers Resource Centre
Glenlea Research Station
Health of Animals Branch, Agriculture Canada
Hudson's Bay Company
International Harvester Canada
Labatts Manitoba Brewery
Manitoba Sugar Company
McCain Foods Limited
Northern Goose Processors
P.A.M.I.

FINANCIAL SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED BY 4-H IN MANITOBA IN 1983

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce -Community Service Project	$1,500.00
Canadian National Exhibition Scholarship	1,000.00
Cargill Grain Company Limited	1,000.00
Elanco Products, Eli Lilly Canada Inc.	200.00
Hoechst Canada Inc. Scholarhsip	500.00
Manitoba Pool Elevators	500.00
Manitoba Sugar Beet Producers Association Inc. and Manitoba Sugar Company	1,000.00
Pioneer Grain Company Ltd.	200.00
United Grain Growers Limited	500.00
Simplot Fertilizers	50.00

OCG Canadian Propane	500.00
CIBA-GEIGY Canada	100.00
Royal Bank of Canada	485.00
Simon Day Limited	25.00
Canadian Pacific Railways	100.00
Esso - A Division of Imperial Oil	500.00
Investors Syndicate	200.00

IN ADDITION, COUNCIL RECEIVED INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS FROM:

Douglas Hutching	25.00
Joyce Hiatt	12.00
Donna Winstone	20.00
Janice Dingwall	15.00
Mary Moore	10.00
L.W. Forrestor	20.00
Frances McKague	20.00

Manitoba 4-H Council would like to thank all of the people who made their kind donations to the operations of our Programs.

THANK YOU!!

Ambassadors Report

The Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors numbered 25 this year (1983/84). The organization has five standing committees and the executive. The five committees are the Membership, Public Relations, Retreat, Public Speaking and Sponsorship.

Over the last two years,the Ambassadors have been working on initiating some new activities into the 4-H program. This year they are seeing the fruits of their labour.

The City Survival Weekend took place during February in Winnipeg. The weekend was centered around sharing experiences and learning what resources are available to the 4-H'ers after they graduate and go to the city.

Another activity the Ambassadors are handling is the setting up and the showing of a farm safety film. This film will be shown to any 4-H club or group that would like to see it. There will be people to answer questions after the film.

The Ambassadors have also finalized their slide/tape script show promoting the Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors.

The Ambassadors will probably have six openings for new Ambassadors. The deadline for applications is April 30, 1984 and there will be no phone interviews.

The Public Speaking Competition, sponsored by the Kiwanis, will be held from June 3 - 5. Finals will be held on June 5 at 12:00 at the Winnipeg Winter Club.

The Ambassador Retreat will be held at the Brandon Ag. Centre and is tentatively scheduled for September 28 - 30, 1984.

Other activities being undertaken by the Ambassadors is the setting up of a Scholarship. A short skit is being setup to promote the Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors. The Ambassadors are sending press releases to community newspapers as well as to Contact. The Ambassadors are getting white polo style shirts with a green Ambassador emblem to wear as uniforms.

On this their fifth Anniversary the Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors are looking forward to serving your community.

The Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors received sponsorship from:

Monsanto Canada Inc.	$200.00
Feed Rite Limited	$ 50.00
Canada Safeway	$100.00
Cargill Limited	$1,000.00
Imperial Oil	$500.00

Light Horse and Pony Clubs Association

1982 stats saw 801 members enrolled in the Light Horse and Pony Project.

Our material in this project consist of:
-4 manuals designed to cover 7-9 years of work
-A nighlight of this year was the introduction of the new Unit I manual and record book material borrowed from Alberta. Units 2, 3, and 4 as well as Horse Nutrition continue to be used.
-Horse slide and tape sets have recently been previewed and are very suitable for club use. These resources are available through Publications branch of Manitoba Agriculture.
-the various horse breed associations are helpful with literature and sometimes clinicians - information of this type and assistance with information can be obtained from the Manitoba Horse Council.
-there are currently a number of helpful magazines out on store racks and in libraries. Some of these are: Horse & Rider, Western Horseman, Equis, Practical Horseman (English Riding) and Performance Horseman (Performance Riding).
-group instruction clinics with more experienced horsemen are helpful for all members and help to reinforce leaders' teaching efforts in many cases.
-achievements continue to follow a pattern as determined by the club (district, region).

Over the past 4 years, the Provincial Light Horse Leader's Association, with the assistance of the 4-H Department, has been holding a provincial championship horse show where 8 member teams (4 juniors and 4 seniors) from each of the agriculture regions compete in 10 equestrian events. They keep their theory sharpened by working a written test on health, stable management, riding theory, horse anatomy and related topics.

Light Horse leaders have formed a Provincial Association that meets twice a year to deal with items pertaining to the improvement and furtherance of this project for its members and leaders. We find this an efficient way of developing this project and with the provincial competition that has developed, the organization has become more necessary.

Still in the backs of our minds is to try an interprovincial competition or the formation of a "4-star" show involving Manitoba. Saskatchewan, North Dakota, Minnesota, maybe even Alberta and Montana. Correspondence in regards to such an event has already begun.

These "Horse Show" competition are in addition to the other 4-H emphasis of communications, demonstrations, community services, rallies, judging competition and citizenship efforts. These show however, have proven to be incentives for senior members to remain in the program.

We are trying to do our part in keeping 4-H in shape but it's more likely a matter of keeping in shape with 4-H.

Manitoba 4-H Foundation

Following the Annual Conference Council meeting in March of 1983, a committee of interested people: Brian Kelly - Bank of Commerce, Ron Mitchell - Royal Bank, Don Meadows - University of Manitoba, Hazel Mitchell - Home Economics Directorate, Myrtle Leonard, Eleanor Menzies, Andrew Dickson, Betty Ann DeCeuleneer, meet to initially discuss the feasibility of setting up a Manitoba 4-H Foundation and Friends of 4-H.

Several other 4-H Foundations (funds) were reviewed by the committee.

The group supported such a Foundation to be formed in Manitoba and sent a motion to Manitoba 4-H Council on June 10th, 1983. That received approval in principle to proceed with the formation of a Manitoba 4-H Foundation and gave the committee permission to seek legal advice for the formation of a constitution for the Foundation.

$500.00 was advanced to the committee so that legal advise could be used in the development of a Constitution. Following the Council meeting, Andrew Dickson and Hazel Mitchell meet with Mr. Bruce King, lawyer with Pitbaldo and Hoskins, to proceed with setting out a draft constitution to be reviewed by the committee. The friends of 4-H Committee meet on November 23, 1983 with lawyer Bruch King to discuss the constitution and the incorporation of the Manitoba 4-H Foundation.

Manitoba Council discussed the Foundation on December 2, 1983 and gave its approval to proceed with incorporating the Foundation.

Since that time, Mr. King has proceeded with the Foundation. We have just received Canadian 4-H Council consent to our incorporation.

The committee must now determine the specific activity to be supported by the Foundation, a promotion campaign and methods of recognizing donations.

The Committee looks forward to working with the first Board of Directors as designated in the By-Laws to proceed with the challenge of this project.

PROVINCIAL 4-H ACTIVITIES

4-H Clothing Conference

Clothing and appearance speak a silent and subtle language. Clothes are an expression of social behavior; they develop within a social situation. Clothes are an important way of helping you figure out other people.[1]

"Clothing Speaks", the 2nd annual 4-H Clothing Conference, was held October 20-22, 1983 at the Viscount Gort Motor Hotel, Winnipeg. Twenty-six senior 4-H members representing clothing clubs from across Manitoba and two guest delegates from Saskatchewan attended.

Delegates explored many areas in the clothing and textiles field to discover how they can make clothing speak a confident message about themselves. Activities included tours of Mid-West Garments, an apparel manufacturing firm; the Dugald Costume Collection Museum; a panel discussion on "Career Opportunities in Clothing and Textiles"; and group sessions on a variety of topics.

The topics and guest speakers were:

Organizing a Fashion Show - Pat Adams, Murdoch McKay School
Preparing Fashion Commentaries - Elaine Froese, Home Economist
Makeup and Skin Care - Nancy Smith, Revlon Sales Consultant
Modelling basics - Jackie Wickdahl, professional model
Accessories - Nancy Koltek and Donna Wiebe, The Bay
Color - Velma Harland and Cathy Riebuck, "Color Me Beautiful"
Wardrobe Planning - Sigrid Dias, Fashion Academy, Certified Consultant
Career Opportunities - Eleanor Menzies, Clothing & Textiles Specialist, Home Economics Directorate
-Sandra Smith, Retail Manager, Fabricland
-Dr. Sheila Brown, Department Head, Clothing & Textiles, University of Manitoba

The highlight of the conference was the final luncheon fashion show. Delegates modelled apparel which they had constructed over the past year. They exhibited confidence, knowledge, and skills acquired during the "Clothing Speaks" Conference.

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[1] U.S. Department of Agriculture, "Clothing Speaks".....4-H Members' Guide (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1970), p.5.

Dairy Show

Thirty-five (35) 4-H dairy members from the St. Claude, Petersfield, Eriksdale, Portage and Brandon 4-H clubs exhibited animals at the July 11th, 1983 Provincial 4-H Dairy Show.

Matt Donohoe of the Brandon 4-H Dairy Club had the Grand Champion calf, while Estelle Bruneau of the St. Claude 4-H Dairy Club was the Grand Champion Showman. First place in the club stall competition went to the Brandon 4-H Dairy Club.

Sponsors of the Provincial 4-H Dairy Show included: St. Boniface-St. Vital Kiwanis Club, Portage Exhibition Committee, Holstein-Friesian Association, Reed-Stenhouse Insurance, Lucerne Foods, Silverwoods Dairies, Manitoba Milk Producers Co-operative Inc. and Manitoba Agriculture.

As well, two 4-H members were selected to attend the U.S. National 4-H Dairy Conference held in Madison, Wisconsin. Bruno Divorne of St. Claude and Thelma Beckman of Eriksdale represented Manitoba at this conference, held October 4-7, 1983. The Manitoba Milk Producers Marketing Board provided a $400.00 sponsorship to send two delegates to Madison.

Livestock Judging

Sherri Grills of the Strathclair Beef Club was named top 4-H Livestock Judge in Manitoba at competitions held at Brandon Ag. Ex. '83. Sherri led a Manitoba team of 8 4-H'ers in an International 4-H Judging Competition at Agribition last fall.

Seventy-six 4-H club members representing all regions took part in the Provincial finals. They were called upon to judge classes of beef, dairy, sheep, swine and light horses.

The judging competition is the part of the program which gets all the attention but the provincial judging finals are setup as a training event as well. The discussion with the official judges for each class and the sessions in which each member gives oral reasons for their placing on one of the classes are important experiences.

The winners of Agribition competition also provides a tremendous experience for Manitoba 4-H'ers because it involves young people from 8 provinces in one American state. The Manitoba team was: Sherri Grills, Strathclair; John Reimer, Grunthal; Ross Hamilton, Argyle; Karyn Paraypa, Strathclair; Nicole Gobin, St. Claude; Lila Andrews, Manitou; Lori McKinney, Waskada; Brenda McKinnon, Rapid City.

Horse Show

4-H riders from every corner of the province gathered at the Keystone Centre in Brandon, October 21-23, 1984, for the Annual Manitoba 4-H Provincial Horse Show.

Each region in Manitoba was represented by a 10 member team at the show, consisting of four junior and four senior riders plus two alternates. The regional teams were selected at regional shows held throughout the summer and fall.

During the three-day competition, riders had to complete a written test and were judges on showmanship, as well as hunt seat and bareback equitation. Competitions were held on reining, barrels and poles, followed by classes in trailriding, western equitation, equitation over fences and keyhole races.

The Southwest Region team took home top place honors from the show this year.

The provincial show is organized by the Manitoba Light Horse and Pony Clubs and sponsored jointly by Manitoba Agriculture, a member of local Brandon firms and the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba.

Sugar Beet Achievement

The Provincial Sugar Beet Achievement is an annual event where sugar beet club members from all parts of Manitoba compete for provincial prizes. Sixty-eight members from five 4-H clubs participated in this year's competition held in Niverville in November. All 4-H plots are grown under contract with the Manitoba Sugar Company and are judged during the summer months.

Andre Morin of Otterburne and a member of the Tourond 4-H Sugar Beet Club won the Overall Proficiency Trophy, Diana Morin, also of the Tourond Club, placed second. These awards were sponsored by the Manitoba Sugar Beet Producers Association.

The clubs also participate in club display competitions, club entertainment, weed and insect identification, quizzes and individual sugar beet displays. The successful day was brought to a close with an awards banquet jointly sponsored by the Manitoba Sugar Company and the Manitoba Sugar Beet Producers Association.

Public Speaking Competition

The Provincial Public Speaking Competition is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Winnipeg and organized by the Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors.

Twelve members, two from each region, compete for the coveted Harrison Shield, as well as gifts and trophies from the Kiwanis.

The event was held June 5-7, 1983 in Winnipeg. The Program included icebreakers, an educational session with Dr. Jack Nesbitt of the University of Manitoba, tours of the Free Press and CKRC and some free time.

Three semi-finalists were chosen to go on to the finals at the Kiwanis Club luncheon. Cathey Day of Deloraine was chose as provincial champion with her speech on "Teenage Pregnancy". The other two finalists were Tracey Paulson of Balmoral and Missy Fry of Vita.

This is a major program of the Manitoba 4-H Ambassadors who do an excellent job of organizing this event.

Careers Conference

The third National 4-H Careers Conference was held in Winnipeg, October 5-8, 1983.

The objectives of the conference were:
1) to assist 4-H members in choosing a career path.
2) To show delegates the range of occupations in Agriculture and its related service industries.
3) To learn more of the significance of agriculture in the Canadian economy.

The conference also gave each delegate an opportunity to enjoy themselves and meet with 4-H'ers from Manitoba and all across Canada. A total of 55 delegates and 11 staff members attended the conference.

Activities for the week included a visit to Red River Community College, the Fort Garry Careers Resource Centre and tours of various industries in Winnipeg and outlying areas. Speakers were brought into deal with topics such as Professional Education, and to conduct a workshop on resume and interview preparation.

The delegates had lots of time for fun, with meals out and time for free time on their own. The week culminated in a final reception and banquet. A riverboat cruise on the Red River followed the banquet.

Sponsors for the Careers Conference include, Westeel Rosco Limited, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Canadian Aberdeen Angus Association, Cargill Grain Limited, Manitoba Pool, United Grain Growers and Manitoba Agriculture.

The Careers Conference is the only national conference held outside of Ontario, something Manitoba 4-H'ers can be very proud of.

Community Services Project

1983 was the second year of the Manitoba 4-H Council's 4-H Community Service Project. This is an annual event, sponsored entirely by the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

The contest was initiated by the 4-H Council to make 4-H'ers more involved with 4-H's pledge. 4-H members, leaders, families and staff are all familiar with our pledge, but how much thought and effort goes into the part that says "...to my community, and my country."?

4-H clubs all across the province are encouraged to do community service activities throughout the year. Entries received at the provincial level included park beautification, town clean-up, welcome signs to communities, fundraising events, working with senior and children, and putting on Christmas concerts for the community.

The 1983 winner was the Westbourne 4-H Handiworkers Clubs of the Central Region. They had spent a great deal of time restoring Perry Park after years of neglect and flooding. It will be an ongoing project with yearly maintenance being done by the club.

The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce sponsors the two days of tours, presentations and fun for a group of 20 leaders and members from the winning club. The highlite of the award trip is the presentation of the trophy at the final banquet.

Scholarships

Manitoba 4-H'ers had two scholarships available to them in 1983.

The Canadian National Exhibition (C.N.E.) Scholarship is available to a past 4-H'er who has completed the first year of a program leading to a degree in Agriculture, Human Ecology, Agricultural Engineering, or Veterinary Science. Kim McKenzie of Nesbitt was the recipient of this award in 1983. The $1,000.00 scholarship was presented to Kim at the Canadian National Exhibition in the fall.

The Hoechst Canada Scholarship is available to a 4-H'er entering the first year of a diploma or degree course in Agriculture. Gilbert Therrien of LaBroquerie has won the 1983 Hoechst Scholarship of $500.00.

REGIONAL REPORTS

Eastern Region

The 1982/83 4-H program in the Eastern Region boasted a membership of 698 4-H members, supported by 203 4-H leaders in 37 various 4-H clubs. Four 4-H Program Assistants, with the support of Agriculture Representatives, Home Economists and 4-H Specialist deliver the 4-H program.

The Eastern Region 4-H Council met twice in 1983, in February and November to plan, organize and execute an active, educational and fun regional program. One of its successes was the Regional Executive Day. Over 80 4-H clubs officers and leaders increased their skills in meeting management, while learning executive responsibilities.

The Junior Members Conference, held March 30 and 31 at Camp Assiniboia was an educational experience for 35 4-H members. 47 4-H members (aged 10-13 years) participated in a summer camping program held in August at Star Lake.

The 4-H communications program was also very strong. All five districts held Public Speaking Competitions as well as a regional event. The Creative Writing Competition attracted over 40 entries in the poetry and short story categories. Demonstrations and public speaking workshops were also held.

The Regional 4-H Leaders Recognition Dinner and Dance was held in Giroux April 9th. Leaders also joined together for training events such as Project Leader Management Training (25 leaders), Winni-Beau Project Day (18 leaders) and Regional Horse Clinic (13 leaders).

District events included spring dinners and full pot luck supper with educational topics such as: children and motivation, demonstrations, What is a 4-H Leader?, and travelling in Africa. Two rallies were also held in 1983 with over a total of 400 people in attendance.

The 4-H light horse and pony program held a variety of activities including a regional sleigh ride (85 people), Summer 4-H Show in conjunction with the Frog Follies (38 members) and Regional 4-H Horse Show in Grunthal (42 members) where Regional 4-H Horse Team selection was completed.

A very successful year for 4-H in the Eastern Region!

Central Region

The 4-H program in the Central Region has an enrollment of 1,579 members and 556 leaders in 85 various 4-H clubs. All ten agricultural districts are supported by active district councils. These councils organize events such as rallies, public speaking, communication competitions, bonspiels, fall suppers and fundraising. They are also responsible for selecting members for all regional conferences.

The Central Region 4-H Council met three time in 1983, February, May and October. This council is involved in giving direction to the regional 4-H budget and all regional activities.

Fifty-six senior 4-H members attended the region's senior selection weekend in February. The theme was "Your Life - Where Do You Stand" focusing on leisure activities, asserting oneself and communicating with peers and adults. At this conference the members are observed and evaluated on their weekend behaviour and activities. From this evaluating, the members are selected by the staff committee for the many provincial and national award trips allocated to the region, a total of 30 in 1983. Seven 4-H members were awarded national trips, with 23 winning provincial trips. Fourteen leaders were also awarded trips in the 1983 4-H year.

Another popular conference for members is the Junior member conference held during school break in March. Fifty 12 to 14 year olds attended this 2 day camp at Camp Assiniboia. This conference was initiated to hold the interest of members in this age group, as this group have the highest drop out numbers. The weekend program included workshops on clowning, dance aerobics, and crafts; as well as a session on 4-H opportunities for senior members. The 1983 Regional Camping budget was reduced compared to previous years. A poll was taken throughout the region, asking head leaders if we should have camp for a few or conferences for many. The regional council based the decision from the poll to have 2 junior conferences in 1983/84 4-H year instead of camp.

The first of the two Junior conferences was held in December of 1983 at Camp Assiniboia. Fifty 4-H members participated in a fun filled and working weekend. Workshops and activities included How to do a 4-H Demonstration, outdoor cooking and sports as well as 4-H opportunity session. The second conference is to be held in January 1984.

The 4-H communications program in the region was very strong. Nine districts held communications festivals, and top winners were sent on to the Regional Communications Evening in May. There were 25 members in the 3 different classes of public speaking, nine pairs of members doing demonstrations and eleven different communication events. The regional event was very successful, and this year renewed interest in demonstrations brought about a separation of them from the communication events, a positive move.

The Central Region 4-H Horse Council, a body made up of leaders from all eleven clubs in the region, met 3 times in 1983. A total of forty members selected from across the region participated in the clinic and show, which the council assisted in planning. The September show was held to select the ten person team to represent our region at the Provincial 4-H Horse Show.

Rallies continue to be a high point of the 4-H year. Eight rallies were held, several of these being of an inter-district nature. Traditional rally activities were joined with fun activities and some districts incorporated workshops for members and leaders.

Leadership training is a high priority in the Central Region. Nine fall workshops were held, several inter-district, with over 128 members and leaders attending. Topics varied from clothing 4 project, to officer training. All nine Program Assistants, many district staff, and several 4-H leaders attended the Project Leader Development course in November; their intent is to offer this course to all project leaders in the region. One district held this course in December with eleven leaders participating; all other districts are planning theirs for 1984.

Ten district fall suppers were held in November for leaders and senior members, and several took the opportunity to invite local sponsors in appreciation of their support.

Seven clubs from the region entered projects in the Regional Semi-Finals for the Provincial Community Services Competition. Judges selected three to go on the the provincial level of the competition.

The Central Region had a very active and successful 4-H year in 1983.

Northwest Region

One thousand and forty young people joined 4-H in September, 1983, in the Northwest Region, down just slightly from the one thousand and seventy who were registered in 1982/83. Four hundred and twenty-eight registered leaders work in the fifty 4-H clubs in this region, giving a ratio of one leader for every 2.4 children.

Five district councils planned programs to support the individual clubs functioning. Four districts conducted workshops for club officers. Toastmasters conducted eight-session Youth Leadership Training courses in two locations. Eight Project Leader's Management Training courses were given, with two more scheduled for the new year. Swan River district held a Leader Management course for main club leaders. Social events for members included bonspiels in each district. All members had an opportunity to take part in one of the three 4-H rallies held in June.

The Russell district took part in an Open House Canada exchange, with Lister, Quebec. Ste. Rose district journeyed to the Texas panhandle, and look forward to hosting their Texas friends on the return part of this exchange in 1984.

The Northwest Regional Council met three times, with a leader and member representing each of the five districts. Selection of delegates for travel program highlighted the February meeting, planning was done in April, and the annual meeting held in November.

Fifty-seven 4-H'ers spent a week at Camp Wannacumbac summer program under 4-H sponsorship. Two weekend regional junior member's conferences were held in this calendar year. Recreation Leadership proved to be a popular topic for the February event. Several reports have indicated members have used ideas to increase the recreational activity at local club meetings. Highlight of the second junior conference, held in October at Camp Wannacumbac, was a trek into the backwoods led by Parks Canada naturalist Cheryl Penney.

Public speaking continued as an important part of the 4-H program. The regional competition, sponsored by the B.P.O. Elks Lodges of Manitoba District #2, was held in Dauphin in April. All regional speakers' presentations were taped by radio station C.K.D.M. and were rebroadcast through the next three months.

The regional light hose show August 20th was followed by a clinic the next day. A regional livestock judging day in July met with limited attendance since it coincided with the first good haying day of the season.

The region's plans to hold a senior member's conference in October were cancelled due to low registration. Rescheduling for February, 1984, brought in many more applications. Senior members will look ahead to achieving personal goals through the theme "Being Yourself".

Interlake Region

767 members and 292 leaders, in 45 clubs were enrolled in the Interlake Region's 4-H program. Six Program Assistants, with the support from the Agricultural Representatives, Home Economists and 4-H Specialist, deliver the 4-H program.

The Interlake Regional 4-H Council consists of two voting members from each District Council as well as the Junior and Senior Directors from Manitoba 4-H Council, a Program Assistant, Ag. Rep., Home Economist and 4-H Specialist. This Council is active in regional planning and also setting and carrying out policies of the 4-H program.

Leadership development is an ongoing priority of the Council. Six districts held Project Leader Management Training. The Head Leader Management Training was updated in the Ashern District. Leaders and senior members, attending the six Fall Dinner Meetings, also received leadership development sessions, including motivation, conference judging and district council planning.

Members and leaders had an opportunity to attend one of three Meeting Management Workshops which were held throughout the Region. Communication Workshops on Public Speaking and Demonstration were held to encourage and provide training for clubs.

Two livestock judging workshops helped hone the members' skills in judging five classes of animals. For the first time in several years, the Interlake Region was proud to send a member with the Manitoba Judging Team to Regina for Agribition.

Again this year, 4-H members and leaders had a chance to participate in one-day interdistrict workshops. Five of these were held around the Region in Teulon (2), Ashern, Arborg, and Lundar. Session on fire, farm, and snowmobile safety; wildlife; self-improvement; communications and crafts along with recreation provided an atmosphere for learning as well as fun.

55 members from the Region attended Camp Arnes for one week. For some of the members, this was the first experience away from home. The development of the member's self-confidence is an important aspect of the 4-H program.

The council initiated several new ideas this year. A 4-H Resource Library has been started for the clubs, leaders and staff in the Interlake Region. It will contain slide sets, films and books which can be borrowed.

A thank you card was also printed for clubs to use. The council held a contest, and picked the winner from 35 entries.

1983/84 was a rewarding year for the Interlake Regional Council. It is looking forward to an exciting and challenging year in 1984/85.

Southwest Region

Regional Council Meetings:

Three planning meetings were held each year involving 25 volunteer members and leaders. They plan, organize and evaluate all Southwest Regional Council activities.

Camp:

Members attend Camp Wannakumbac at Clear Lake. Involves 82 4-H members between the ages of 10 - 12 years.

Junior Conference:

In December, 60 4-H members between the ages of 12 - 14 years come to the Ag. Centre. This year's theme was "4-H Communicates". Purpose of the Conference is to develop leadership and citizenship in 4-H members.

Senior Conference or Selections Weekend:

Held in February for 70 4-H members between the ages of 15 - 18 years also at the Ag. Centre. This year's theme will be MOVING OUT. Purpose of the Conference is to choose top members to go on to other trips and awards. Also develop responsibilities, leadership and citizenship.

Communication Competitions:

Each April and May approximately 125 members compete against each other in three different competitions such as Public Speaking; One Person Visual Presentation and Two Person Visual Presentation or formally known as demonstrations.

Each club is required to have a club Achievement Day which involves members, leaders, and parents in each area.

Some areas have a rally where several clubs from one or two districts come together to compete against each other for various awards. Also, many workshops are held in conjunction with the rally for members to develop in some technical areas.

Workshops:

To develop volunteer leaders so they can teach the 4-H members in various technical areas such as clothing, handicrafts, communications, preparing a calf for show, judging livestock, clowning and horse clinics.

Thompson Region

"Development" was the theme for the Thompson area in 1983 - development of clubs, volunteer leaders and 4-H members.

Two communities, Lynn Lake and York Landing joined the 4-H program bringing the total number of clubs to six. Together with the existing clubs of Leaf Rapids, Shamattawa, Split Lake, and Thompson, enrollment has increased to over 250 members and 50 leaders.

Volunteer leaders had several opportunities for training. Two Level One Leaders' Management Training Workshops were held early in the year with 18 leaders participating.

In March, a leader delegate attended the annual meeting of the Manitoba 4-H Council held in Winnipeg. The Thompson and The Pas areas (Northern Region) were represented on Council by senior director, Lana Deters of The Pas and junior director, Claudette Lapierre of Thompson.

Another leader delegate received training at the newly developed Project Leaders' Management training course held in Brandon. This leader later assisted in the presentation of the training course in Thompson in November. It was also offered in Leaf Rapids. Twenty-two leaders have received their certificates of course completion.

Head leaders met in October to exchange ideas and discuss regional activities for the year. In November, leaders from The Pas and Thompson areas met to examine the possibilities of formulating a Northern Regional 4-H Council.

4-H members developed through paricipation in a variety of activities. Local public speaking competitions were held in Thompson and Leaf Rapids with first and second place winners in the three categories advancing to the Regional Competition. This was hosted by The Pas and Carrot Valley Clubs in April 1983. Two senior members were selected for the Provincial Speak-Offs in Winnipeg.

A junior member conference was held March 28-30, 1983 at Cranberry Portage with 24 members participating. The conference was entitled "A World of Words, Thoughts and Actions", and it focused on the area of human communications.

In August, 30 4-H members from the Northern Region attended the Y.W.C.A. Adventure Camp at Moak Lake, 40 Km north of Thompson. The 4-H'ers represented clubs in Cormorant, Flin Flon, Leaf Rapids, Moose Lake, The Pas, Thompson, Shamattawa, and Split Lake.

The future holds even more opportunities for continued growth and development of 4-H in the Northern Region.

The Pas and Area

The groundwork for rebuilding the 4-H program in the previous year may be described as successful. This area now has 285 members, 62 leaders and 5 junior leaders. 4-H is fast becoming an integral part of the communities involved. Communities being serviced in this area include Carrot Valley, The Pas, Grand Rapids, Cormorant, Cranberry Portage, Moose Lake, Flin Flon and Wanless. Further results of this upsurge in 4-H activity are as follows:

a) offers by businesses and community organizations to sponsor awards to 4-H members at year's end.
b) discounts for purchases made by or for 4-H.
c) requests for service.
d) unquestioned support for 4-H sponsored bake sales and displays.
e) unlimited advertising for 4-H events.
f) volunteers offering assistance as leaders.
g) a growing sense of community ownership.
h) a general acceptance and sense of well-being connected with the benefits for being a 4-H member, leader, parent or supporter.
i) increased parent involvement.

Youth Development

Members were actively involved in planning their club year, National 4-H Week, fundraising activities, and Community Services Projects. Radio announcemetns and newspaper reports by members and leaders have increased considerably. The Trappers' Festival and the Farm Information Show are two other community programs in which 4-H participates. Fifty members and 10 leaders attended a Public Speaking Workshop led by the Toastmasters. Thirteen members from The Pas, Carrot Valley, and Grand Rapids participated in the Northern Regional Public Speaking Competition in The Pas in April. Fifteen 12-14 year old members participated in a Junior Member Conference at Cranberry Portage in March, the theme of which was "Communications".

Fifteen members attended the YWCA camp at Maok Lake in August. Junior leaders participated in Leader Training Workshops.

Projects

A senior member attended the Provincial Livestock Judging Competition in Brandon. A senior member also participated in the Careers Conference in October. A livestock grooming and showning demonstration was held in May. More emphasis is being placed on completing record books. A Record Book Workshop was held with the Beef Club to emphasize its importance. A Pilot Junior Trapper Project is being arranged with the Trapper Education Officer.

Leadership

The Opasquia Leader Association has played a very active role in determining 4-H programming at the local level. This Association hosted a Northern Regional Leaders Meeting in November which included a bus tour of the farming district and dairy area in the Carrot Valley and at which time the possibility of forming a Northern Regional Council was discussed. In addition to our Council Representative, two leaders participated in the Annual Meeting of Council in March 1983. Sixteen leaders including four Junior Leaders participated in and thoroughly enjoyed a Leader Management Training Workshop in The Pas in November. The Project Management Workshop in January was team taught be three 4-H leaders and the specialist. Leaders were recognized for their efforts at a supper arranged in appreciation in May 1983. The number of leaders increased by 15 this year.

All in all this has been a very productive year with numerous new opportunities presenting themselves. We are looking forward to even greater strides in 1984/85.

1983 4-H TRAVEL AND CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Discover Manitoba 4-H - Eastern Region	38 leaders
Exchange trip with Bashaw, Alberta	37 members
Provincial Livestock Judging Competition	63 members
North Dakota State Fair	9 leaders
Clothing Speaks Conference	26 members
Alberta Leaders Conference	1 leader, 1 Council Director
Manitoba 4-H Council - Annual Meeting	73 leaders and senior members
National 4-H Leaders Conference - Toronto	5 leaders
Western 4-H Livestock Judging Competition - Regina	8 members
United States National 4-H Conference	1 member
Manitoba 4-H Dairy Show	35 members
National 4-H Citizenship Seminar - Ottawa	6 members, 1 staff member
Manitoba Sugar Beet Show	68 members
National 4-H Members Conference - Toronto	8 members, 1 staff member
Manitoba 4-H Horse Show	50 members
Interprovincial Exchange - Royal Bank of Canada	4 members
John Deere Summer Work Exchange - New Brunswick	1 member
Western Provinces 4-H Seminar - Cargill	12 members
Saskatchewan Speciality Camp	2 members
National 4-H Careers Conference - Winnipeg	39 members

The Travel Program of Manitoba 4-H Council is in addition to the various exchanges organized by Districts through the Open House Canada program of the Secretary of State, or through their own fundraising activities.

MANITOBA 4-H INFORMATION

Manitoba 4-H Club Statistics 1982/83

REGION	NO. OF CLUBS	NO. OF MEMBERS	NO. OF LEADERS
Eastern	36	698	203
Central	85	1579	556
Southwest	91	1648	618
Northwest	50	1071	460
Interlake	46	758	282
North	12	318	61
MANITOBA TOTAL	320	6072	2180

FIVE YEAR SUMMARY

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983
Members	6722	6373	6240	5925	6072
Leaders	1994	2115	2166	2139	2180
	336	325	324	312	320

PROJECT STATISTICS	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983
Adopt-A-Grandparent	--	65	71	62	71
Beef	1134	1183	1211	1136	972
Dairy	108	88	95	120	112
Horticulture	167	127	116	107	97
Junior Leader	169	152	120	93	97
Light Horse & Pony	874	811	740	761	801
Leathercrafts	--	21	29	45	40
Outdoor Living	171	227	260	206	249
Cereal Crops	24	34	38	14	46
Sugar Beets	79	77	78	68	68
Swine	11	25	31	35	32
Woodworking	478	411	487	436	430
Photography	171	210	156	170	175
Babysitting	--	47	82	132	124
Dog Care	42	11	21	17	42
Group Determined	--	105	159	170	200
Power Toboggans	53	23	21	14	20
Mechanics	--	180	207	208	236
Self Determined	213	158	111	119	119
Home Nursing	133	71	40	32	29
Electrical	9	4	14	19	--
On Your Own	15	24	23	59	58
Clothing	1167	1181	1183	1047	996
Food	723	848	800	809	722
Home Design	165	204	121	93	65
Handicrafts	1125	1087	1016	892	635
Other	--	--	--	63	65

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